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News Release

MTA, SANBAG AND RCTC CELEBRATE THE 10th ANNIVERSARY OF METROLINK'S RIVERSIDE LINE ON JUNE 16

LOS ANGELES, CA, June 13, 2003: Passengers who take Metrolink's Riverside Line will get a special treat at their stations on Monday morning, June 16 – free coffee and pastries. The treats are being provided at the Riverside Downtown, Pedley, East Ontario, Downtown Pomona, Industry, and Montebello/Commerce Metrolink stations between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Metrolink's Riverside Line.

"We want to do something special for our passengers who ride the Riverside Line," said Rancho Cucamonga Mayor Bill Alexander, who is the chair of Metrolink's Board of Directors and the President of the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG). "We're celebrating ten years of service, ten years of growth, and ten years of linking the people in Riverside, San Bernardino, and Los Angeles counties to employment and activity centers throughout our region. We may run the trains, but it's our passengers who make this work."

Metrolink's Riverside Line runs through Riverside, San Bernardino, and Los Angeles counties. Service on the line began on June 14, 1993; at that time there were only four stations – Riverside Downtown, Pedley, East Ontario, and Industry. In 1997 the Montebello/Commerce station was added and, in 2001, the Downtown Pomona station opened.

Metrolink operates 12 trains on the 58.7-mile Riverside Line each weekday; providing more than 4,000 passenger trips.

“Part of Metrolink’s success comes from working with the people, cities, and communities we serve,” said Alexander. “We believe that creating these partnerships will lead toward more livable communities throughout the area.”

Alexander will be greeting passengers at the East Ontario Station on Monday morning – along with San Bernardino County Supervisor Fred Aguiar, Montclair Mayor Paul Eaton, and Ontario Mayor Gary Ovitt.

In addition to the coffee and pastries, SANBAG will be giving away fortune cookies at the East Ontario Station; some of the cookies will have prizes like Metrolink monthly passes, model train sets, and gift certificates.

WHO: METROLINK, SANBAG, RCTC and MTA

WHAT: 10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR METROLINK’S RIVERSIDE LINE

WHEN: MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2003

TIME: 5:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

**WHERE: Metrolink Stations in –
Downtown Riverside
4066 Vine Street**

**Pedley
6001 Pedley Road**

**East Ontario
3330 E. Francis Street**

**Downtown Pomona
101 W. 1st Street**

**Industry
600 S. Brea Canyon Road**

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Montebello / Commerce
2000 Flotilla Street

For train schedules and directions to the nearest Metrolink station check at www.metrolinktrains.com or call (800) 371-LINK.

Metrolink is Southern California's regional commuter rail service and is in its tenth year of operations. The Southern California Regional Rail Authority, a joint powers authority made up of an 11-member board representing the transportation commissions of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties, governs the service. Metrolink continues to be one of the nation's fastest growing commuter rail services, operating over seven routes through a six-county network with 512 total route miles.

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